

School Uniform

A reminder that 'School Trends' is our new official supplier of uniform. Everything is available from their shop at 10 Carley Drive, Sheffield, S20 8NQ, near 'Direct Cars', Halfway or via their website: www.schooltrendsonline.com



They stock both logoed uniform as well as a range of shirts, trousers, pinafore and summer dresses. They will put our logo on items purchased while you wait at no extra charge, if it is not available when you arrive.

New optional extras to the range are:

- ✓ a new thicker and longer school logoed parker coat (to replace the current thin and reversible jacket)
- ✓ logoed maroon PE hoodie or crew-neck sweatshirts
- ✓ logoed grey jogging pants

Achievements Outside of School

- **Sophie Ball** in **Y1** did a great job performing in Noodle Performance Art's annual summer show, Peter Pan. She took part in three shows in front of lots of parents and her parts included a pirate, mermaid and a lost boy! Well done Sophie!

Weekly Liturgy of the Word

I would like to thank Mrs Bishop and the children of **Y1** for leading a liturgy last Tuesday 30th June and the young people of **FS2** for a lovely graduation liturgy on Thursday. There will be **no liturgy** next week. Thank you.

Attendance

This week the girls and boys of **Year 2** and **Year 6** were joint first having achieved **100%** attendance! This is a fantastic achievement. **FS2** were second with **99.1%** and in third place were **Year 5** with **99.0%**. They will be visited by Bobby, Brenda and Elvis. Our weekly average attendance is **98.1%**! Thank you for your support everybody.

Forthcoming Events

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| • Group B Foundation Stage Taster Day (2 of 2) | Monday 6th July 2015 |
| • Taylor Shaw Presentation – 3.30pm | |
| • Group C Foundation Stage Taster Day (1 of 2) | Wednesday 8th July 2015 |
| • Whole-School Curriculum Exhibition (9.00am – 10.00am) | Thursday 9th July 2015 |
| • Group C Foundation Stage Taster Day (2 of 2) | Friday 10th July 2015 |
| • PTFA End of Year Disco – details to follow | |
| • Moving Up Day (children in their new classes & Y6 rehearsals) | Monday 13th July 2015 |
| • Y6 performance of 'We Will Rock You!' (7.00pm) | |
| • All Saints Catholic High School Summer Fair | Tuesday 14th July 2015 |
| • Bronze Award (one session) | Wednesday 15th July 2015 |
| • Silver Award (half day) | |
| • Gold Award (full day) | Thursday 16th July 2015 |
| • Leavers' Mass (7.00pm – Our Lady of Lourdes) | |
| • End of Year Mass of Thanksgiving (9.30am – Our Lady of Lourdes) | Friday 17th July 2015 |
| • End of School Year | |

Reading Wonderland

Our library is open to pupils every day between 12.30pm and 1.00pm for the following pupils:

Monday Year 2	Tuesday Year 3	Wednesday Year 4	Thursday Year 5	Friday Year 6
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The library is also open before school from 8.30am for reading, but books cannot be borrowed at this time. I would like to thank our parent volunteers. If you would like to join them please let us know.

Fair Trade

As part of a joint project with the Birley Family of Schools and linking to our current RE topic the whole school have been involved in learning about Fair Trade and ethical enterprise.

This is a topic that we will return to next year as it fits in with the school ethos and enables the pupils to gain a greater understanding of where many products originate from.

Here is a flavour of some of the activities from through school:



Our School Councillors led a fair trade assembly to the whole school aiming to teach about the supply chain of bananas.

In **FS2** we learned about Jamaica, the music, the culture and how the climate is different from the UK. We learned about the life cycle and growth of bananas in Jamaica. We agreed that growing bananas looks really hard work. We then learned about Foncho a banana grower in South America and the difference getting a fair price for his bananas makes to his family. We also used the CAFOD website to learn about a shop that only sells fair trade products. This shop helps to ensure that people get a fair price for the hard work they put in to producing our food. We know it is possible to be an ethical entrepreneur

In **Y2** we looked at how and where cocoa is grown and processed into chocolate. We found out that chocolate bars have a story of their own. It goes back 4000 years. Cocoa beans, the ingredient that makes the chocolate flavour, was so prized it was used as currency by the Aztecs. We also learned about how it is farmed and processed into a chocolate bar that we eat.

In **Y5** we learned about how and where cotton is grown. We found out the differences between fair trade cotton farmers and non-fair trade cotton farmers. We also learnt that the multiple gold medal rower, Sir Steve Redgrave, has his own clothing company and he uses fair trade cotton. **Please watch out for the Fair Trade and Enterprise display at the whole school exhibition!**

In addition the school is hoping to raise the profile of entrepreneurial education and if there are any parents that would be willing to talk to children about their professions we would love to hear about your experiences. Please contact Mrs Darken. I would like to thank Mrs Darken for all her hard work in coordinating Fair Trade Enterprise Week.

FS2 Graduation

This week we celebrated the hard work the children in FS2 have done this year with a liturgy/graduation ceremony. Mrs Prentice made all the children mortarboards and special certificates tied with ribbon which were awarded to every child once they had shared with the whole school community something they had learned to do this year.

The Foundation Stage year in school might seem like it is just play but it is in fact the most significant year in terms of what the children learn, including many skills that will form the basis for their future journey through the school.

We are very proud of how hard they have worked and I am proud and grateful to my colleagues for their dedication and passion.



Crucial Crew

On Monday of this week the children from Y6 attended Crucial Crew at the Lifewise Centre in Rotherham. They went to learn about safety and the responsibilities they would face in the outside world, now they were moving to high school. They had various talks, activities and demonstrations. One of the highlights was a Magistrates court scenario where they went through the proceedings of an actual court case – the results of the court were that Mr Smith and Mr Hawley were both sent to prison!

Chatsworth

On Tuesday of this week the children from Y6 went on a walk to the beautiful Chatsworth Park in Derbyshire.. They spent the day walking through the park, enjoying the wonderful scenery and learning about the Chatsworth Estate. The children also did some landscape drawings and played some games. Everyone had a wonderful time and they even saw some of the red deer.



Bye Bye Butterflies!

As part of our current topic the children in FS2 and Y2 have been learning about the lifecycle of a butterfly. FS2 read the hungry caterpillar and talked about how caterpillars change. Y2 learned about the lifecycle of a butterfly and then went on to research different mini-beasts.

As part of this topic both FS2 and Y2 have had live caterpillars in their classrooms. We watched them change in to chrysalis and then hatch in to butterflies. Then this week we let them go. It was a magical experience which all the children enjoyed.





Menu

A number of parents/carers have not yet told us whether their children want school dinners. Reminders have been sent out. So please let us know what your wishes are.

If we do not know if your child wants a school dinner from September we will assume that they are having packed lunches and will not provide one.

Statement to Live By

Our next 'statement to live by' will be **"We are all special"**

Time to talk: We are all special. We all have gifts and talents – things that make us unique. What things make you special? What makes your friends special? Your parents, brothers and sisters? Remember that God does not make rubbish – so that means that you are amazing!

Butterflies don't know
the color of their wings,
but human eyes know
how beautiful it is.
Likewise, you don't know
how good you are,
but others can see
that you are special.



Pope Francis at
World Youth Day 2013

**"You too, dear young people,
can be joyful witnesses of his
love, courageous witnesses
of his Gospel, carrying to this
world a ray of his light."**

Best wishes for the weekend and thank you for your continued support,

Mr Barratt